

Florida Department of Transportation Environmental Management



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Outline

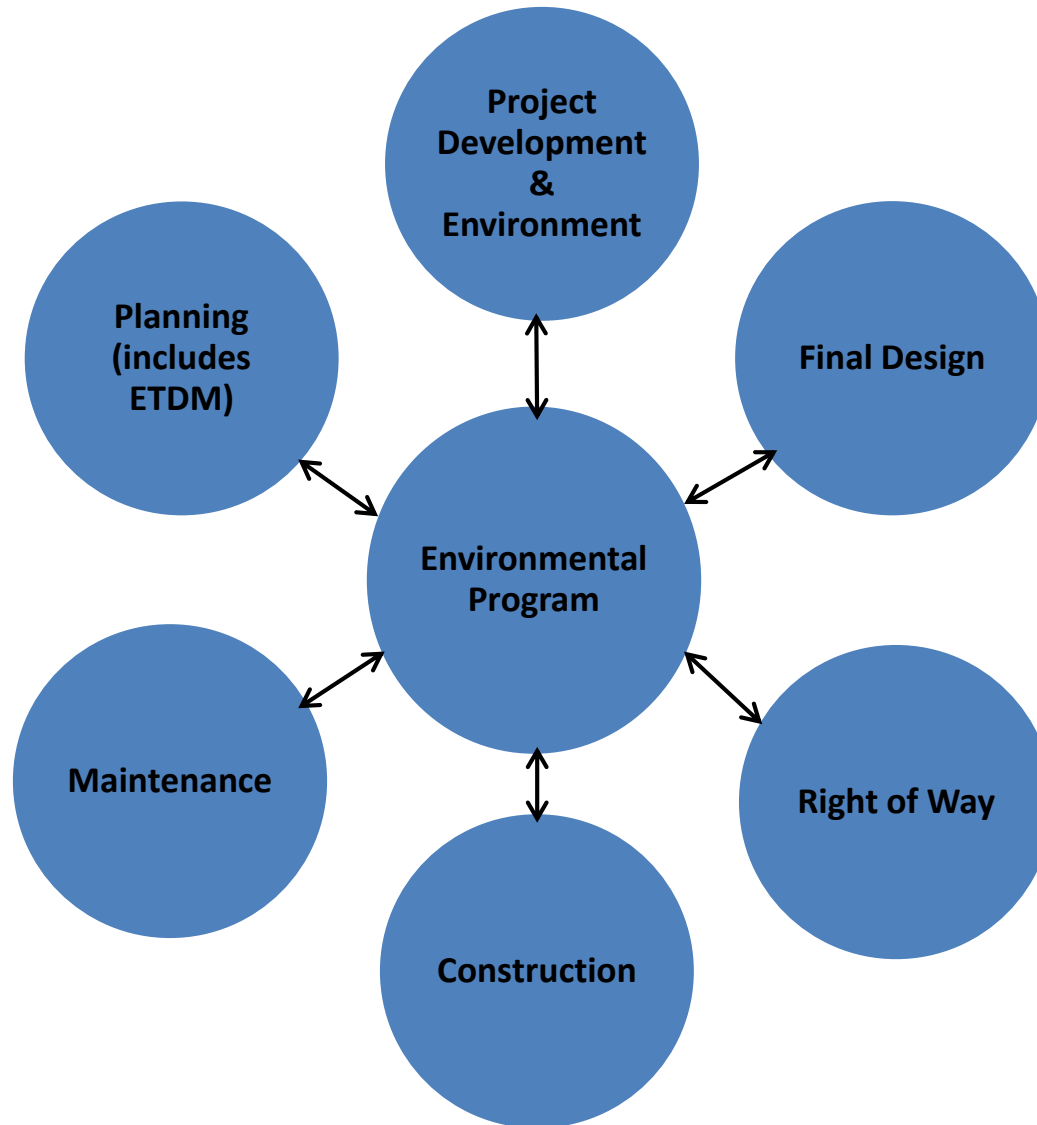
- ◆ State and National direction
- ◆ Role of the State Environmental Management Office (SEMO)
- ◆ Authorities and Procedures
- ◆ Connecting the “DOTs”



Vision 21, MAP-21, FTP 2060 , all this mean?

- ◆ Creating a framework of how decisions should be made
- ◆ Advance projects to stimulate economic growth and job creation
- ◆ Focus on transportation functions and competencies
- ◆ Support development of a more robust intermodal transportation system
- ◆ Provide support to partners to advance transportation (Local agencies, private sector)
- ◆ Create a framework to advance future transportation investment
- ◆ Expediting project delivery

FDOT Environmental Program Affects all areas



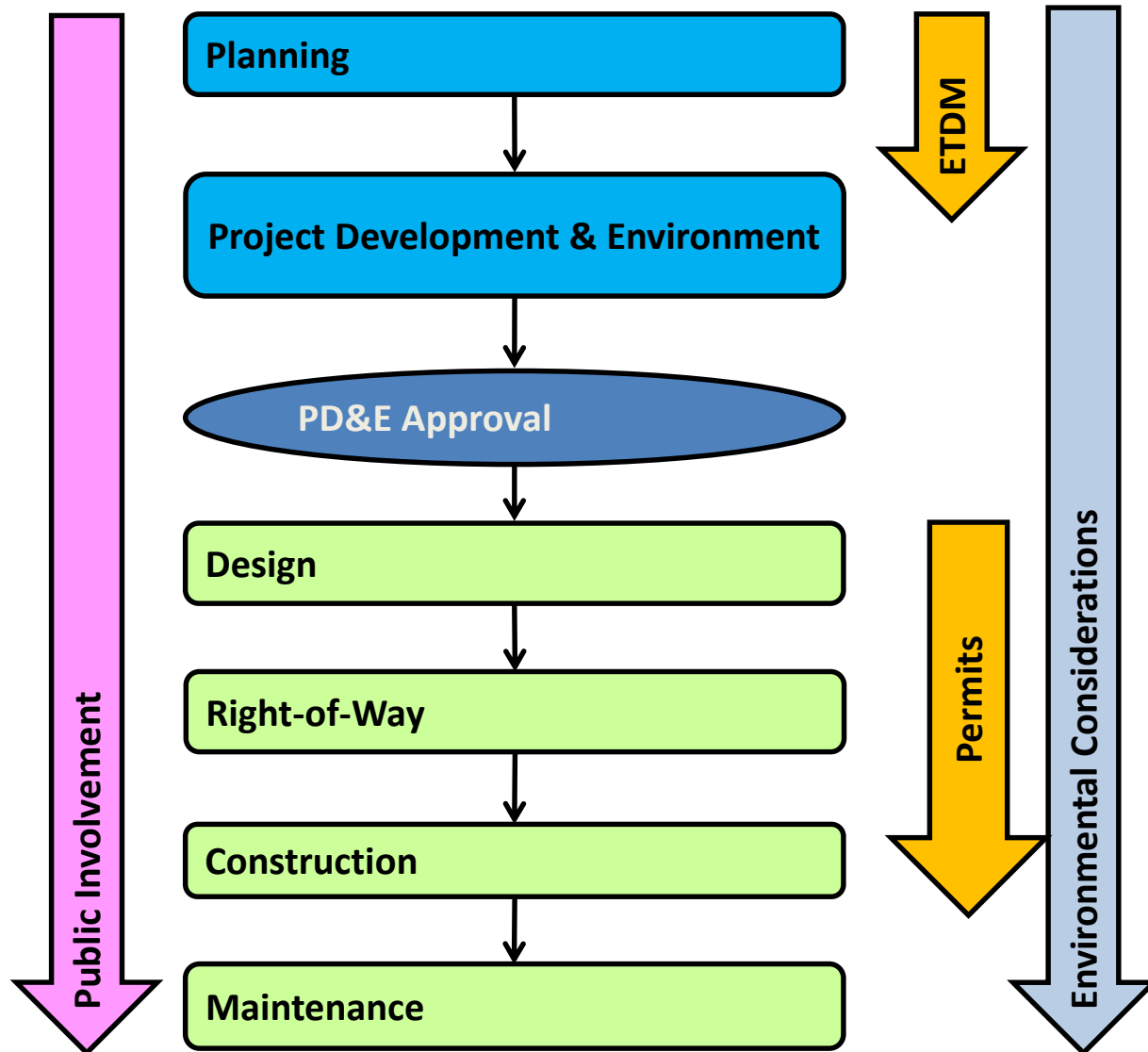
SEMO's Lead Role

- ◆ **Develop policy and procedures to eliminate barriers and create opportunity**
- ◆ **Manage DOT environmental programs**
- ◆ **Provide Training**
- ◆ **Provide technical support – Guide, Support, Lead, Finish**
- ◆ **Intra/interagency coordination and support**
- ◆ **Champions of national initiatives**
- ◆ **Expedite project delivery**

Several laws and regulations, but primarily NEPA. What is NEPA?

- ◆ National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended
- ◆ Requires an assessment of the environmental effects federal actions
- ◆ Purpose of the environmental review process:
 - Inform citizens and others of the action
 - Citizen involvement
 - Consideration of effects to the human, natural, and physical environment
 - Avoid, minimize and for unavoidable impacts mitigate
 - Informed decisions
- ◆ PD&E Process is how FDOT complies with NEPA

Transportation Project Delivery Process



Roadmap for Expedited Project Delivery

- ◆ Promote consistency, predictability, repeatability
- ◆ Clarify, simplify and focus processes
- ◆ Explore flexibilities in regulations and processes
 - Monitor, engage and influence state and national policies
 - Programmatic approaches
- ◆ Remain current
- ◆ Better connect the transportation environmental review process
- ◆ Communicate with Districts and partners
- ◆ Modify manuals and procedures

Roadmap affects...

- ◆ Linking Planning and PD&E
- ◆ PD&E
- ◆ Linking PD&E and Design
- ◆ Linking Design and Construction